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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Examiner:

For: PROCESS OF AND SYSTEM FOR SEAMLESSLY EMBEDDING EXECUTABLE
PROGRAM CODE INTO MEDIA FILE FORMATS SUCH AS Mp3 AND THE LIKE
FOR EXECUTION BY DIGITAL MEDIA PLAYER AND VIEWING SYSTEMS

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Please add the following claims that provide an additional viewpoint of describing the
invention.

--37. A process for seamlessly embedding supplementary program content into digital
media streams during execution of such streams by digital media content presenting systems,
that comprises, providing supplementary digital program content in the form of executable
code; embedding the executable code into the digital stream; decoding the encoded code
during the presenting of the content of the stream by the system; and presenting the
supplementary program content of the decoding in response to such decoding during the
presenting of the stream content by the system.--

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01 FC:203 18.00³⁸ PM The process of claim 37 wherein the embedding, decoding and presenting are
02 FC:202 39.00 CH effected by software control of a computer system; with the presenting effected as playing
and/or viewing at a computer screen.--

Any costs required by this filing may be charged to Deposit Account No. 18-1425 of the
undersigned attorneys.

Very respectfully,

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